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## Lt. Governor Peter Kinder Names Lorraine Harms as Senior Service Award Winner

Award recognizes Volunteer work by Missouri Seniors

**Jefferson City**- Missouri Lieutenant Governor Peter Kinder announced Lorraine Harms of St. Louis as a quarterly winner of the Lieutenant Governor's Senior Service Award. As the official Senior Citizen Advocate for the State of Missouri, Lt. Gov. Kinder created the Award to promote and highlight the positive accomplishments that Missouri's senior citizens continually provide their local communities.

Lorraine Harms was nominated for the award by Michael Howard, Executive Director of Five Star Senior Center in St. Louis.

"There are thousands of Missourians whose lives are touched by the unselfish work and caring hand of someone like Lorraine Harms," said Kinder. He added, "These acts of kindness go on unnoticed all around us every day. Ms. Harms offers her time and labor back to the community, and I want to bring these stories to the public, so we can all thank her for this work."

Lorraine Harms will receive an official declaration from Lt. Gov. Kinder, a Senior Service Award Lapel pin, and special recognition at the State Capitol from Lt. Gov. Kinder.

Nominees for the Senior Service Award must be at least 60 years old and volunteer a minimum of 40 hours over the past year in their community. Senior volunteers can be nominated on a quarterly basis by filling out a brief form available on Lt. Gov. Kinder's website at <a href="www.ltgov.mo.gov">www.ltgov.mo.gov</a>. Letters of recommendation must accompany the nomination forms.